

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
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| TOTAL | 37 | - | 71 | = | 0 | \$ 9 | \$0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT | 3 | - | 8 | = | 0 | \$ 42 | \$0.00 |
| _____ FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE CLAIM | | | | | | \$140 | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | | TOTAL | \$0.00 |


Appl. No. 09/426,776


- ☐ Petition for () month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

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Respectfully submitted,

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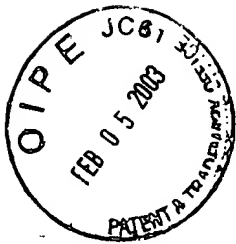
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FILED: October 26, 1999 EXAMINER: Ja-Na HINES
FOR: ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING A SECRETORY
SIGNAL FOR EXPRESSION AND SECRETION OF
HETEROLOGOUS RECOMBINANT PROTEINS.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

February 5, 2003

Sir:

Please amend this application as indicated:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the paragraph bridging pages 26-27 of the specification to read
as follows:

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In other embodiments of the invention, it is desirable to produce a lipopolysaccharide-binding protein, such as Factor C of a horseshoe crab. Cloned cDNAs encoding Factor C from at least two species of horseshoe crab are known (see, U.S. Patent 5,716,834 and Muta et al., *J. Biol. Chem.* 266:6554-6561 (1991)). The lipopolysaccharide-binding protein produced by the present invention can be used in the ways described in U.S. Patents 5,712,144, 5,716,834, and 5,858,706.

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